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C O N F I D E N T I A L MOSCOW 0567

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OEXC, APER, UR, SOPN

SUBJECT: PROTEST TO MFA ON SAGIRASHVILI CASE

REF: STATE 5173 #

1. EMBOFF CALLED ON MFA USA DIVISION DEPUTY DIRECTOR FEDORSEYEV JAN 13 TO PROTEST TREATMENT OF SAGIRASHVILI. IN MAKING POINTS IN PARA 1 REFTEL, HE ALSO DREW ATTENTION TO CONTRASTING 1972 TREATMENT AND TO FACT THAT SAGIRASHVILI IS USG EMPLOYEE. HE NOTED THAT EXHIBITS PROGRAM IS ONE PILLAR OF CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAM WHICH IN TURN IS ONE OF OLDEST AND MOST BENEFICIAL FORMS OF U.S. - SOVIET COOPERATION, AND THAT TREATMENT OF SAGIRASHVILI INEVITABLY RAISES QUESTIONS ABOUT SOVIET APPROACH TO THIS FACET OF OUR RELATIONS. HE CONCLUDED THAT WE WERE NOT AWARE THERE HAD YET BEEN ANY PUBLIC PLAY ON INCIDENT AND WOULD NOT SEEK ANY, BUT COULD NOT EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY MATTER WOULD RECEIVE PUBLIC ATTENTION.

2. FEDOSEYEV RESPONDED THAT HE KNEW NOTHING OF INCIDENT AND THAT UNTIL HE LOOKED INTO MATTER IT WAS DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO ACCEPT PROTEST, BUT HE WOULD CHECK IT OUT. EMBOFF SAID P&C COUNSELOR WOULD BE RAISING AND PROTESTING MATTER WITH OGANESYAN (TO
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WHICH FEDORSEYEV COMMENTED "THAT IS THE RIGHT PLACE") BUT MADE CLEAR EMBASSY CONSIDERS USA DIVISION IS PROPERLY INVOLVED GIVEN POLITICAL ASPECTS OF INCIDENT.
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NOTE BY OC/T: #REF STATE 5173 BELIEVED TO BE INCORRECT.

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